

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STUDY ON MFL PROGRAM
Legislative Study Reviewing the Managed Forest Land Program

WHEREAS, Federal, State and County Forest along with property in the Managed Forest Land (MFL) program make up 49% of Price County; and

WHEREAS, the loss of revenue and compensation to counties where counties receive 20% or .33/acre of the acreage share payment on MFL closed and .13/acre on MFL open for a total of \$58,968.94 compared to \$942,111.70 (total assessed value x mil rate); and

WHEREAS, there is an increase in property being enrolled in MFL program, (270,000 acres privately owned forest land with 120,000 currently signed up for MFL), as real estate taxes rise therefore shifting the tax burden to the residential and commercial properties; and

WHEREAS, nothing is paid toward the school levies by properties in the MFL program; and

WHEREAS, currently property taxes do not have to be **paid in full** on a parcel that a cutting permit is being issued. To prevent tax delinquency after timber is harvested, taxes should be paid in full prior to cutting permit issuance; and

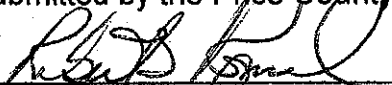
WHEREAS, buildings located on managed forest lands are taxed as personal property buildings on leased land rather than real estate,

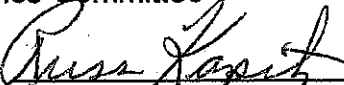
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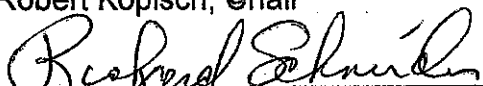
NOW THEREFORE BE IT that the Price County Board of Supervisors support the Legislative Council study of the MFL program.

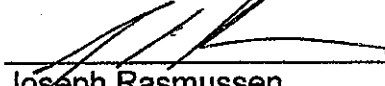
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the County Clerk to Representative Fred Clark, Chairman; Representative Don Friske, Vice-Chairman; Senator Jim Holperin, Mark Abeles-Alison, Bayfield County Administrator and Dean Pelkey, Packaging Corporation of America (northern representatives on the committee). Dated this 29th day of July, 2010.


Submitted by the Price County Executive/Finance Committee


Robert Kopisch, Chair

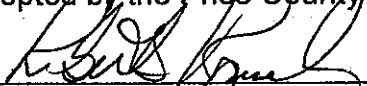

Russ Kapitz, Vice-chair



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Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 17th day of August 2010


Robert Kopisch, County Board Chair


Jean Gottwald, County Clerk

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